

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Streamlining Commission Analysis

Recommendation No. **RECOMMENDATION** 54
Streamlining Draft **AGEB** 19A

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To direct all boards and commissions, except those boards responsible for administering Louisiana's retirement systems, to file electronically, on or before February 1st of each calendar year, with the Commissioner of Administration of the state of Louisiana, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Louisiana Senate, a financial statement setting forth in detail the assets and liabilities, including unencumbered and encumbered cash on hand, of each board and commission. To further direct all money which is not needed by these boards be subject to appropriation for any lawful purpose by the Louisiana Legislature.

EXPENDITURES	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW					
Agy. Self-Gen.	SEE BELOW					
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
REVENUES	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

This recommendation provides for the boards and commissions to annually file a financial report to the Division of Administration (DOA) and the State Legislature, which is anticipated to have no expenditure impact upon the state. This recommendation further provides that all funds not needed by these boards and commission be subject to appropriation for any lawful purpose by the legislature. The specific impact of such a measure will ultimately depend upon the following variables: 1.) what is the current ending year fund balances within the various active boards and commissions, 2.) how much of the boards' and commissions' ending year fund balance "is not needed" for future known expenditures in subsequent fiscal years.

According to the Legislative Auditors' September 9, 2009 Boards, Commissions, and Like Entities Report, there are approximately 484 boards, commissions and like entities of which 50 are considered inactive. Of the 484 audited, 84 entities determined as active did not provide the requested information for the report. For <u>illustrative purposes</u>, below is a table by board type of the FY 08 approximate reported fund balances of those reporting entities.

Type
Licensing Agencies
Ports and Harbor Districts
Levee Districts
Other
Total

Ending Balance
\$24.0 million
\$590.8 million
\$39.2 million
\$952.6 million
\$1.6 billion

To the extent that this recommendation is implemented and the legislature determines that a portion of the boards and commissions fund balances are not needed for future expenditures, the fund balances will likely be transferred to the state general fund via a funds bill to be appropriated.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

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